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TO: EACH SUPERVISOR

FROM: P. MICHAEL FREEMAN *Daylight only for PMF*

REQUEST TO PROCEED WITH NEGOTIATIONS FOR A SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT WITH SIKORSKY SUPPORT SERVICES INCORPORATED FOR HELICOPTER REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES

This letter provides advance notification to your Board that the Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County (District) intends to enter into negotiations for a sole source contract with Sikorsky Support Services Incorporated (SSSI).

Under the proposed contract, SSSI will provide, as needed on an intermittent and temporary basis, all tools, labor, and incidental materials necessary to perform repairs and/or modifications to the District's three (3) Sikorsky S70-A Firehawk helicopters. The proposed contract term shall be for a period of three (3) years. The District will again attempt to negotiate automatic contract extensions for a total of three (3) additional years; however, in the past these extensions have not been accepted by SSSI.

These services were authorized through a Board letter, dated September 6, 2005, giving the authority to the County Purchasing Agent to complete and execute all necessary purchasing documents relative to the acquisition of 500-hour inspections and services for the Sikorsky S70-A Firehawk helicopters.

SSSI is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Sikorsky Aircraft Company, the Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) of the Firehawk. The District's three Firehawk helicopters require a 500-hour maintenance inspection and service that is a mandated component for the helicopters' maintenance regime, as established by the Sikorsky Firehawk Maintenance Manual.

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Per the requirements for sole source contracts \$250,000 or greater, we will proceed with negotiating the contract within two weeks unless otherwise instructed by your Board.

Should additional information be required, please contact me at (323) 881-2401.

PMF:am

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